

so much needed, and also to secure liberal appropriation for improvement of the navigation of the Mississippi, Wisconsin, and Fox rivers.

*Resolved*, That in thus memorializing Congress we do not surrender the right of the General Assembly of this State to control freight and passenger tariffs on railroads within its borders.

Approved January 25, 1873.

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### NUMBER III.

JOINT RESOLUTION to Provide for Printing the Report of, and Evidence taken by the Rankin Investigating Committee.

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That the Secretary of State be directed to print 600 copies of the report and evidence taken before the joint committee appointed to investigate the alleged defalcation of Samuel E. Rankin, late State Treasurer, and late Treasurer of the Agricultural College, for the use of this General Assembly.

Approved January 30, 1873.

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### NUMBER IV.

MEMORIAL AND JOINT RESOLUTION of the Legislature of Iowa asking Congress to pass a law granting 160 acres of land to honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the war of the rebellion.

WHEREAS, Measures are now pending in Congress whereby honorably discharged soldiers and sailors, their widows and orphan children, may acquire homesteads on the public lands of the United States; and

WHEREAS, It has been the custom of our government after all former wars, as a token of gratitude for heroic services performed for the republic, to grant to the honorably discharged soldiers engaged therein, warrants or bounty lands, and no such grant having yet been made to the soldiers of the war of the rebellion, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to give their earnest attention to this subject and if, in